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Specification Amendments

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 33, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The invention teaches that this object is accomplished by a flat float glass that can be prestressed or transformed into a glass ceramic with high quartz mixed crystals or keatite mixed crystals, that has a concentration of less than 300 ppb Pt, less than 30 ppb Rh, less than 1.5 wt.% ZnO and less than 1 wt.% SnO₂ to prevent undesirable surface defects during floating, and that is refined during melting without the use of the conventional fining agents arsenic oxide and/or antimony oxide. in Claim 1.--

Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 26, line 24, and ending at page 27, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraphs:

The following U.S. Patent Application is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth in its entirety herein as follows: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/828,287 ______, having attorney docket No. NHL-FMW-03 US (SCT), having inventors Dr. Sabine MELSON and Stefan HUBERT, filed on April 6, 2001, claiming priority from Federal Republic of Germany Patent Application No. DE 100 17 699.2-45, filed on April 8, 2000, having inventors Dr. Sabine MELSON and Stefan HUBERT,

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entitled "Verglasung von gegenüber der Umgebung im Weltraum oder in Polarregionen abgekapselten Räumen," is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth in its entirety herein.